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SUBJECT: AFP REPORT ON ALLEGED HOUSE ARREST OF SAVIMBI

1. AFP REPORTED FROM BRUSSELS ON AUGUST 5 THAT MOBUTU HAD PUT UNITA LEADER SAVIMBI UNDER HOUSE ARREST "SOMEWHERE IN ZAIRE", QUOTING DIPLOMATIC SOURCES IN BELGIUM. ACTION REPORTEDLY TOOK PLACE JULY 31, AND SAVIMBI AND HIS FAMILY WERE BEING HELD IN "COMFORTABLE CONDITIONS" ACCORDING TO SOME SOURCES.
2. REMAINDER OF STORY BACKGROUNDS ON RECENT IMPROVEMENT IN ZAIRIAN/ANGOLAN RELATIONS, CONCLUDING WITH REFERENCE TO RE-OPENING OF BENGUELA RAILWAY WHICH, ARTICLE NOTES, UNITA HAD FREQUENTLY SABOTAGED.
3. REUTERS CARRIED SIMILAR ACCOUNT ON AUGUST 7.

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4. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS AND ASSESSMENT AND ANY INFORMATION WHICH YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO DEVELOP ON ALLEGED SAVIMBI HOUSE ARREST.

5. FOR YOUR INFORMATION FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCE PREPARED FOR AUGUST 7 NOON BRIEFING AT DEPARTMENT:

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THE AFP REPORT THAT JONAS

SAVIMBI HAS BEEN PLACED UNDER HOUSE ARREST IN ZAIRE?

A: WE HAVE SEEN THE REPORT BUT HAVE NO OTHER
INFORMATION AND THEREFORE CANNOT CONFIRM IT. NOR DO
WE HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THE REPORT. END FYI. CHRISTOPHER

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